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FM AMEMBASSY KABUL

TO SECSTATE WASHDC FLASH 2156

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E.O. 12065: N/A

TAGS:

SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF AMBASSADOR DUBS

REF: KABUL 1060

1. ACCORDING TO LATEST PHONE CALL FROM POL. COUNS. FLATIN FROM THE KABUL HOTEL, THE TWO TERRORISTS ARE HOLDING THE AMBASSADOR IN A ROOM WITH ONE DOOR AND ONE WINDOW. THE HOTEL IS SWARMING WITH POLICE AND ALL GUESTS HAVE BEEN EVACUATED. SO FAR, THE TWO TERRORISTS HAVE DECLINED TO TALK TO THE AUTHORITIES.

2. WHEN THE POLICE SAID THEIR PLAN WAS TO BREAK IN AND TEARGAS THE ROOM, OUR RESPONSE WAS NOT TO DO SO YET, THE IMPORTANT THING WAS TO BE PATIENT, TAKE NO PRECIPITOUS ACTION AND TRY TO TALK TO THE TERRORISTS.

3. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS.

4. WASHINGTON: PLEASE PASS TO OTHER POSTS AS YOU DEEM NECESSARY. AMSTUTZ

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